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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

1 (original). A method of migrating data items, each of said data items being associated with an identifier, said method comprising the acts of:

storing an adjustable throttle value;

for a first of said data items, computing a first index value based on an identifier associated with said first data item;

determining that the relationship between said first index value and said throttle value meets predetermined criteria; and

copying said first data item to a data store.

2 (original). The method of claim 1, wherein said predetermined criteria comprises a determination that said first index value is less than said throttle value.

3 (original). The method of claim 1, further comprising the acts of:

for a second of said data items, computing a second index value based on an identifier associated with said second data item;

determining that the relationship between said second index value and said throttle value does not meet said predetermined criteria; and

leaving said second data item in its current location without copying said second data item to said data store.

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4 (original). The method of claim 1, wherein each of said data items comprises customization information for a web page, each of said data items being stored on a computing device to which the customization relates, said method further comprising the acts of:

providing a web page to a first one of the computing device based at least in part on information copied to said data store.

5 (original). The method of claim 4, further comprising the acts of: adjusting said throttle value downward;

determining that said the relationship between said first index value and the downward-adjusted throttle value does not meet said pre-determined criteria; and providing a web page to one of the computing devices without using the

information copied to said data store.

6 (original). The method of claim 1, wherein each of said data items has a flag associated therewith, each flag being adapted to assume either a set or an unset state, and wherein said method further comprises:

determining that the flag corresponding to said first data item is in the unset state.

7 (original). A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instruction to perform the method of claim 1.

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31 (original). A system for migrating web site data comprising:

means for storing an operator-adjustable value;

means for selecting a group of users of said web site based on an identifier associated with each of said users and further based on said operator-adjustable value;

means for transferring data from the selected users' computing devices to a data store;

means for adjusting said operator-adjustable value downward;

means for de-selecting at least some of the selected users in response to the downward adjustment of said user-adjustable value; and

means for rendering a web page based at least in part on data stored on the deselected users' computing devices.

32 (original). The system of claim 31, further comprising:

means for indicating the validity of the data store copy of said users' data including a flag stored on each of said users' computing devices;

means for invalidating the data store data for the de-selected users using said flag.